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Yankee Understatement,

A paragraph in the Companion about the mild retort of the man who was kicked by his horse reminded a subscriber of her grandfather's story of John Teele, John was a Yankee teamster, who was trying one day to get a log down from the top of the pile. He tied a rope to the log; then, that he might stop the log before it rolled too far, he tied the other end of the rope around his waist, John pulled; the log came down and snatched the teamster halfway down the mountain. Some weeks later John was able to sit up and discuss the accident with a sympathet-

"Yes, sir," sald John, "I hadn't gone hore'n ten rod b'fore I see where I'd missed it!"-Youth's Companion.

Pleasing Father.

An Indianapolis resident, who recently visited his former home in Kentucky hill country, took along the usual gifts and remembrances for members of the family. One of these, a dog, obtained at the city pound, part bull and with only half a tail, stood out.

"You see, it will please father." he said. "He has 14 dogs now, but this one is different. No," he said, "there is no dog tax in Kentucky,"

Dibbs—"That's a worsted sult you're wearing, isn't it?" Dabbs (fighting the H. C. L., proudly)-"Badly."









FIREMEN-BRAKEMEN

The Great Shadow

By A. CONAN DOYLE

Author of "The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes"

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It was very well to draw pictures of him, and sing songs about him, and make as though he were an impostor, but I can tell you that the fear of that man hung like a black shadow over all Europe, and that there was a time when the glint of a fire at night upon the coast would set every woman upon her knees and every man gripping for his musket.

So begins this thrilling and important historical romance. It is thrilling because Sir Arthur Conan Doyle wrote it. He bas been a successful author for 33 years. He has written more than 40 novels, novelettes and plays. Some of his characters, Sherlock Holmes and Brigadier Gerard for example, will live. "The White Company" is a classic.

It is important because it is a story of the latter days of Napoleon, from the viewpoint of Scotch villagers who lie un-"The Great Shadow." There are three men and a woman in the story. Two of the men die on the field of Waterloo, the culmination of the story.

CHAPTER I.

It is strange to me, Jack Calder of

The Night of the Beacons.

West Inch, to feel that though now, in the very center of the nineteenth century, I am but five-and-fifty years of age, and though it is only once a week, perhaps, that my wife can pluck out a little gray bristle from over my ear, yet I have lived in a time when the thoughts and the ways of men were as different as though it were another planet from this. For when I walk in my fields I can see, down Berwick way, the little fluffs of white smoke which tell me of this strange, new, hundred-legged beast with coals for food and a thousand men in its belly, forever crawling over the border. On a shiny day I can see the glint of the brass work as it takes the curve near Corriemuir. And then. as I look out to sea, there is the same beast again, or a dozen of them, maybe, leaving a trail of black in the air and of white in the water, and swimming in the face of the wind as easily as a salmon up the Tweed. Such a sight as that would have struck my father speechless with wrath as well as surprise, for he was so stricken with the fear of offending the Creator that he was chary of contradicting Nature, and always held the new thing to be nearly akin to the blasphemous. As long as Ged made the horse, and a man, down Birmingham way, the engine, my good old dad would have stuck by the saddle and

When he died we had been fighting with scarce a break, save for two short years, for very nearly a quarter of a century. Bables who were born in the war grew to be bearded men with bables of their own, and still the war continued. Those who had served and stiff and bent, and yet the ships and that long time we fought the Dutch, we fought the Danes, we fought the Spanish, we tought the Turks, we fought the Americans, we fought the too near of kin or too far away to be drawn into the quarrel. But most of and the man whom of all others we losthed and feared and admired was

the great captain who ruled them. It was very well to draw pictures of him, and sing songs about him, and make as though he were an impostor. but I can tell you that the fear of that all Europe, and that there was a time when the glint of a fire at night upon upon her knees and every man gripping for his musket. He had always won. That was the terror of it. The fates seemed to be behind him. And now we know that he lay upon the story how a third of the grown folk our country took up arms, and how our little one-eyed, one-armed man the book. crushed their fleet. There was still to be a land of free thinking and free

speaking in Europe. There was a great beacon ready on the hill by Tweedmouth, bullt up of logs and tar barrels, and I can well loved him like a brother, and wept as remember how night after night I strained my eyes to see if it were bottle when at last, after two years, ablaze. I was only eight at the time, but it is an age when one takes a father's profession. Five years after grief to heart, and I felt as though that did I bide at Birtwhistle's, and the fate of the country hung in some when I left I had become cock myself. fashion upon me and my vigilance. for I was as wiry and as tough as And then one night as I looked I sud- whalebone, though I never ran to of fatigue which were entering the

in the darkness. And then the flame shot higher, and I saw the red, quivering line upon the water beyond, and I dashed into the kitchen screeching to my father that the French had crossed and the Tweedmouth light was aflame. I can see him now as he knocked his pipe out at the side of the fire, and looked at me from over the top of his horn spectacles.

"Are you sure, Jock?" says he.

"Sure as death." I gasped. He reached out his hand for the Bible upon the table and opened it upon his knee as though he meant to read to us, but he shut it again in silence and hurried out. We went down to the gate which opens out upon the highway. From there we could see the red light of the big beacon, and the glimmer of a smaller one to the north of us at Ayton. The old road had more folk on it than ever passed along it at night before, for many of the yeomen up our way had enrolled themselves and were riding now as fast as hoof could carry them for the muster. Some had a stirrup cup or two before parting, and I cannot forget one who tore past on a huge white horse, brandishing a great rusty sword in the moonlight. They shouted to us, as they passed, that the North Berwick law-fire was blazing, and that it was thought that the alarm had come from Edinburgh castle. There were a few who galloped the other way, couriers for Edinburgh, and the laird's son and Master Clayton, the deputy sheriff, and such like.

But early in the morning we had our minds set at ease. It was gray and cold, and my mother had gone up to the house to make a pot of tea for us, when there came a glg down the road with Doctor Horscroft of Ayton in it and his son Jim. The collar of the doctor's cost came over his ears. and he looked in a deadly black humor, for Jim, who was but fifteen years of age, had trooped off to Berwick at the first alarm with his father's new fowling plece. All night his dad had chased him, and now there he was, a prisoner, with the barrel of the stolen gun sticking out from behind the seat. He looked as sulky as his father, with his hands thrust into his side pockets, his brows drawn down, and his lower lip thrust out.

"It's all a lie," shouted the doctor. as he passed. "There has been no landing, and all the fools in Scotland have been gadding about the roads for nothing." His son Jim snarled something up at him on this, and his facuer struck him a blow with his clenched fist on the side of the head, which sent the boy's chin forward upon his

breast as though he had been stunned. with what I took my pen up to tell draw one thought from his nind with- if it were a surprise. out a dezen others trailing out behind it. And yet, now that I come to think of it, this had something to do with it after all; for Jim Horscroft had so deadly a quarrel with his father that he was packed off to Birtwhistle's Berwick academy; and as my father had long wished me to go there he took advantage of this chance to send me atso.

There was from the first a great friendship between Jim Horscroft, the doctor's son, and me. He was cock boy of the school from the day he came, for within the hour he had fought in their stalwart prime grew thrown Barton, who had been cock before him, right through the big blackthe armies were struggling. During board in the classroom, Jim always ran to muscle and bone, and even then he was square and tall, short of speech and long of arm, much given to lounging with his broad back against walls, Montevideans, until it seemed that in and his hands deep in his breeches this universal struggle no race was pockets. I can even recall that he had a trick of keeping a straw in the corner of his mouth, just where he used all it was the French whom we fought, afterward to hold his pipe. Jim was always the same, for good and for bad.

since first I knew him. Heavens! How we all looked up to him! We were but young savages, and had a savage's respect for power. What tales we used to whisper about his strength; how he put his fist man hung like a black shadow over through the oak panel of the gameroom door. How when Long Merridew was carrying the ball, he caught the coast would set every woman up Merridew, ball and all, and ran swiftly past every opponent to the goal. It did not seem fit to us that such a one as he should trouble his head about spondees and dactyls, or care to know w'o signed the Magna northern coast with a hundred and Charta. When he said in open class fifty thousand veterans, and the boats that King Alfred was the man, we for their passage. But it is an old little boys all felt that very likely it was so, and that perhaps Jim knew more about it than the man who wrote

For two years we were close friends. for all the gap that the years had made between us, and, though in passion or in want of thought he did many a thing that galled me, yet I much as would have filled an lak he went off to Edinburgh to study his

con hill-a single red tongue of flame | cessor. It was in jubilee year that I left Birtwhistle's, and then for three years I stayed at home, learning the ways of the cattle; but still the ships and the armies were wrestling, and still the great shadow of Bonaparte lay acress the country.

How could I guess that I, too should have a hand in lifting that shadow forever from our people?

CHAPTER II.

Cousin Edie of Eyemouth.

Some years before, when I was still but a lad, there had come over to us upon a five weeks' visit the only daughter of my father's brother. Willie Calder had settled at Evemouth as a maker of fishing nets, and he had made more out of twine than ever we were like to do out of the whin bushes and sand links of West Inch. So his daughter, Edie Calder, came over with a braw red frock and a five-shilling bonnet and a kist full of things that brought my dear mether's eyes out like a parten's.

I took no great stock of girls at that time, for it was hard for me to see what they had been made for. There were none of us at Birtwhistle's that thought very much of them; but the smallest laddles seemed to have the most sense, for, after they began to grow bigger they were not so sure shout it. We little ones were all of one mind that a creature that couldn't fight and was carrying tales, and couldn't so much as shy a stone with out flapping its arm like a rag in the wind was no use for anything.

So when this one came to the stend ing at West Inch I was not best pleased to see her. I was twelve at the time (it was in the holidays) and she eleven, a thin, tallish girl, with black eyes and the queerest ways. She was forever staring out in front of her, with her lips parted as if she saw something wonderful; but when I came behind her and looked the same way I could see nothing but the sheep's trough or the midden or father's breeches hanging on a clothesline. And then if she saw a lump of heather or bracken, or any common stuff of that sort, she would mope over it as if it had struck her sick, and cry. "How sweet! how perfect!" just as though it had been a painted picture. When I used to tell her that she was good for nothing, and that her father was a fool to bring her up like that, she would begin to cry, and say that I was a rude boy, and that she would go home that very night, and never forgive me as long as she lived. But in five minutes she had forgotten all about it. What was strange was that she liked me a deal better than Now all this has little enough to do I did her, and she would never leave me alone, but she was always watchabout; but when a man has a good ing me and running after me, and memory and little skill he cannot then saying, "Oh, here you are!" as

Jim Horscroft was away when Cousin Edie was with us, but he came back the very week she went, and I mind how surprised I was that he should ask any questions or take any interest in a mere lassie. He asked me if she were pretty; and when I said that I hadn't noticed he laughed and called me a mole, and said my eyes would be opened some day. But very soon he came to be interested in something else, and I never gave Edle another thought until one day she just took my life in her hands and twisted it as I could twist this quill.

That was in 1813, after I had left school, when I was already eighteen years of age, with a good forty hairs on my upper lip and every hope of I had changed since I left school, and was not so keen on games as I had been, but found myself instend lying about on the sunny side of the braes, with my ewn lips parted and my eyes staring just the same as Cousin Edie's used to do. It had satisfied me, and filled my whole life, that I could run faster and jump higher than my neighbor, but now all that seemed such a little thing, and I yearned and looked up at the big arching sky and down at the flat blue sea, and felt that there was something wanting, but could never lay my tongue to what that something was, And I became quick of temper, too, for my nerves seemed all of a fret; and when my mother would ask me what alled me, or my father would speak of my turning my hand to work, I would break into such sharp, bitter answers as I have often grieved over since. Ah, a man may have more than one wife, and more than one child, and more than one friend, but he can never have but one mother, so let him cherish her while he may,

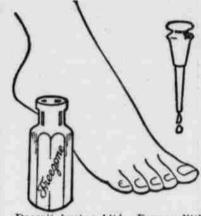
How the Queen of West Inch arrives in black.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Drink Water When Tired. Dr. Eliza B. Mosher of Brooklyn preed the members of the Women's Medical society of New York state to drink a glass of water at 10 a. m. and others at 3, 4 and 5 p. m. This, she told them, would dilute the products dealy saw a little flicker on the bea- weight and sinew, like my great prede- blood and causing that tired feeling.

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Mr. Inmer says: "I had a curiosity to know how much it would cost to raise an acre of oats and corn. To find out I kept account, during the 'Freezone" on an aching corn, instantly year, of the time required and the cash expended to grow the above mentioned crops." His figures show that Your druggist sells a tiny bottle of it cost him \$31.49 to grow an acre of "Freezone" for a few cents, sufficient to corn and \$18.13 1-3 to grow an acre of remove every hard corn, soft corn, or oats, or a difference of \$13.00 an acre

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> Samples of these oats weighing up ward of 45 pounds to the bushel are on exhibition at the Canadian government information bureau, located in various cities in the United States .-Advertisement.

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golf," remarked one crony to another at the first tee.

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venrs?" "Yep, that's the chap."

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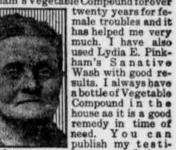
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